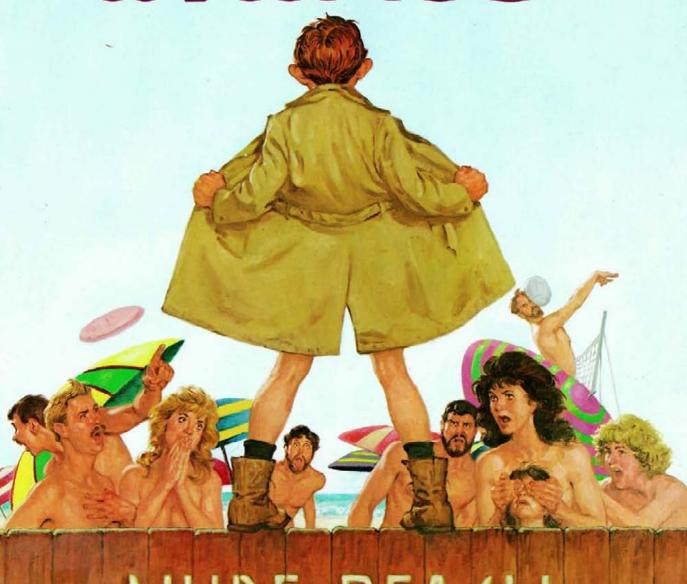
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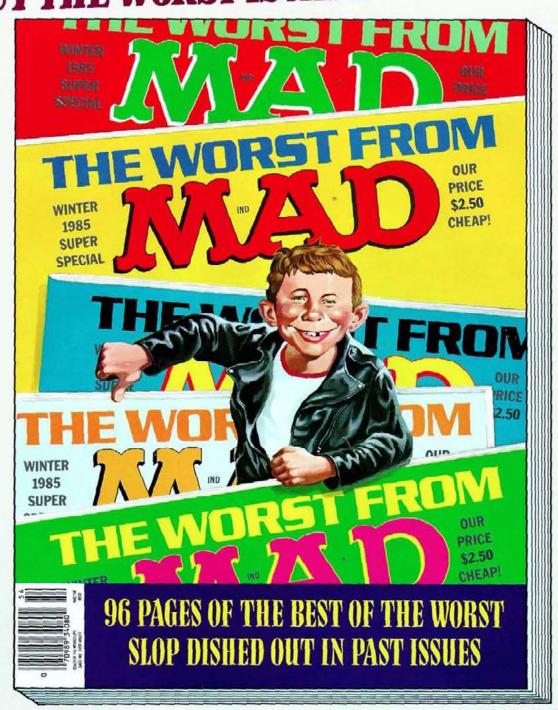
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WHAT A "GAL"

Please inform Dick DeBartolo that his "Gal Of Me" was perfect except for the title. He should have called it "Gaul Of Me" for having the "gaul" to make it better than the movie!

> Brett Angus Bedford, MA

My left side abhorred "Gal Of Me" but my right side loved it. Perhaps that is because I've been diagnosed as schizophrenic, although I'm not-and neither am I! Excuuuuuuuuuuse me!

> David F. Lynch Upper Darby, PA

A REAL DOG OF A LETTER

Your "Things You Can Do For Your Dog On His Birthday" really hit me in the funny-BONE. It was DOG-gone funny. It made me HOWL with delight and BARK with laughter. Kee-PUP the good work!

Sami Fialkoff Brooklyn, NY

Your BITING letter RABIE a bit RUFF but it did give us a new LEASH on life. POODLE-OO!—Ed.

ALFRED FOR THE DEFENSE

Once again Alfred tries his hands at politics!

Bradley Noack Syracuse, NY

HAMMER IN THE SLAMMER

I like Sam Viviano's art on "Mike Hammy" in MAD #255. Now, how about giving him a story he can finish? Steve Havnie Easley, SC

Your satire on Mike Hammer was just great. Hey! Maybe you'll do a sequel in 10-20 (years)!

> Anthony Provenzale Bethel, CT

MORON MAIL

Thank you for printing this letter. If you didn't print this letter thank you for considering it. If you didn't consider it thank you for reading it. If you didn't read it, thank you for at least putting your hands on it. If you didn't even put your grimy little hands on it, who the hell needs you schmucks!?

Stuart Rosenthal Brooklyn, NY

I am 32 years old and have read MAD on and off since I was a kid. I am particularly grateful for the off years.

Rick Yavruian Detroit, MI

We can understand why, you seem to be a little off yourself!—Ed.

THE MAD MINUTE

As we told you schmucks many times before, "The MAD Minute" is an ongoing series of (alleged) funny radio routines performed by MAD writer Dick DeBartolo. Here is the last list of stations now playing the Minute. If your favorite station wasn't listed, send us their name and address. We'll make sure they start receiving the tape. Send the station's name and address to: The MAD Minute, c/o MAD Magazine, 485 MADison Avenue, New York, NY 10022

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WHO NEEDS "WHO NEEDS IT?"

Who needs ... a magazine with crummy articles and dumb stories, sold for a buck-twenty-five, and claiming to be cheap?

> Ethan De Seife Rve, NY

I see you idiots put your monthly screw-up in your "Who Needs It?" article in MAD #255. On page 38 you say, Who needs a corner mailbox that has two mail pick-ups a day...at 10:00 A.M., and at 10:30 A.M." but in the picture, 10:15 A.M. and 10:30 A.M. are the times listed!

> Tim Kazmerski Lakewood, CO



... a corner mailbox that has two mail pick-ups a day ... at 10:00 A.M., and at 10:30 A.M.

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FAMOUS AMISH KOOKIES DEPT.

Every now and then movie-makers become fascinated with stories that show different cultures in conflict, such as "A Passage To India" contrasting life in India with English Colonial culture. Another recent film shows the difference between two ways of thinking! Only this one illustrates the difference that exists in the audience! The chasm divides the simple minded from the astute. MAD classifies the first group as the ...





Why Why I imagine We We The ... and if we show movie's any more scenes of the strange are It also speak are we been on waving fields of it



looking confor a ducting missing a mansearch Harrison party? Ford!

fifteen minutes without a sign of him!

grain and simple country folk, this is going to turn into one of those National Geographic specials!



WRITER: STAN HART





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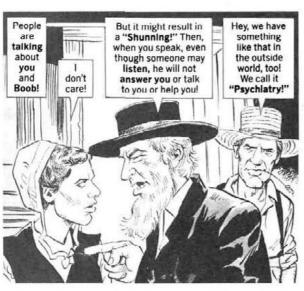








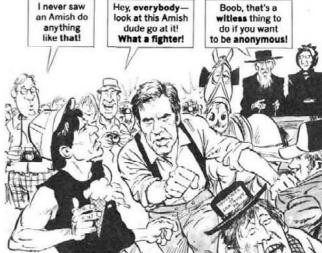
















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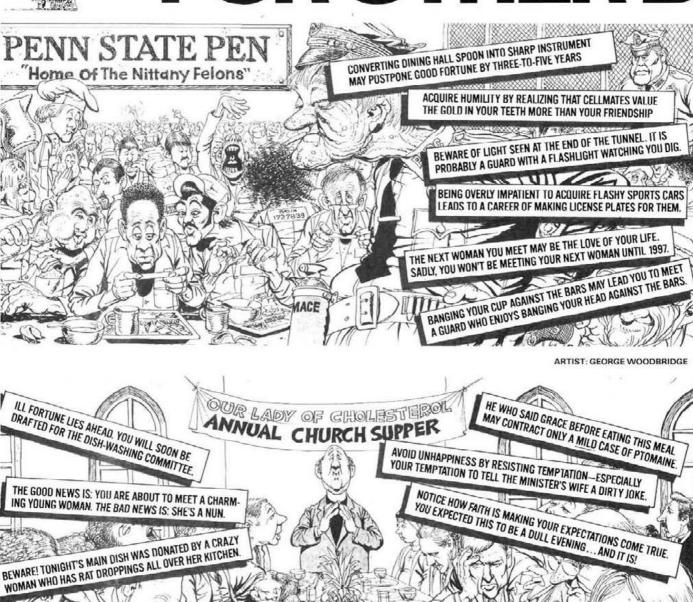




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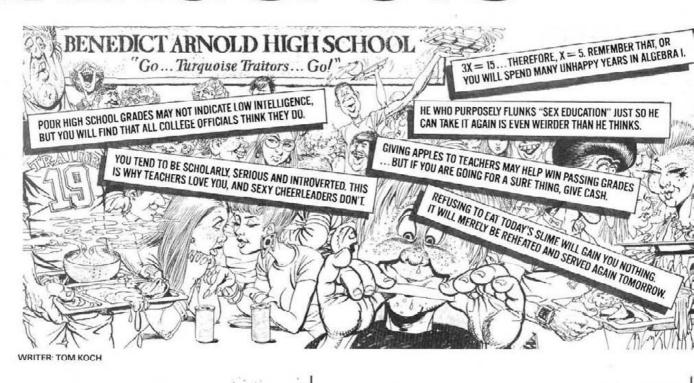
MAD hates to criticize a great old American tradition (or even a great old Cantonese tradition), but it's a fact that the "wisdom" found in Fortune Cookies is downright blah. Because Fortune Cookies are usually served in Chinese Restaurants, where the patrons come in all ages, genders and areas of interest. Hence, each "fortune"

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must be worded vaguely enough to fit anyone who happens to receive it. On the other hand, Fortune Cookies are never served in such eateries as school cafeterias and prison mess halls, where those who gather have a lot more in common. Just imagine how meaningful and thought-provoking these messages could be if they introduced...

TUNE COOKIES INING SPOTS



TO SEEK RECREATION BY DIVING INTO THE TYPING POOL IS TO RISK BEING UP TO ONE'S NECK IN HOT WATER.

YOU HAVE AN OVERLY VIVID IMAGINATION. WHY
ELSE WOULD YOU THINK YOU'RE WORTH MORE MONEY?

THOSE WHO ENRICH THEMSELVES IN SWIPED OFFICE SUPPLIES MAY SUDDENLY GROW POOR LACKING A WEEKLY PAYCHECK.

ENJOY THE FOOD HERE WHILE YOU CAN. IT'S BETTER THAN THE LUNCHROOM AT THE UNEMPLOYMENT OFFICE.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ADVANCEMENT MAY COME YOUR WAY TOMORROW. SO DON'T PHONE IN SICK AND RISK MISSING IT

THOSE WHO ARE LUCKY IN LOVE BECOME UNLUCKY AT EMPLOYMENT WHEN THEY TELEPHONE LOVED ONES LONG DISTANCE ON COMPANY TIME.

GIGANTIC CONGLOMORATE CORPORATION

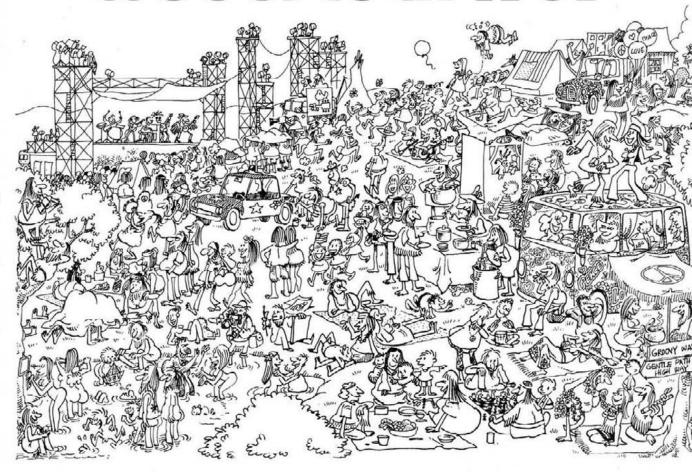
EMPLOYEES DINING MODULE "TIME IS MONEY! EAT FAST!"



HIPPIE-CRITICAL DEPT.

Ever wonder what became of the tens of thousands of screaming rock fanatics who were part of...

woodstock 1969



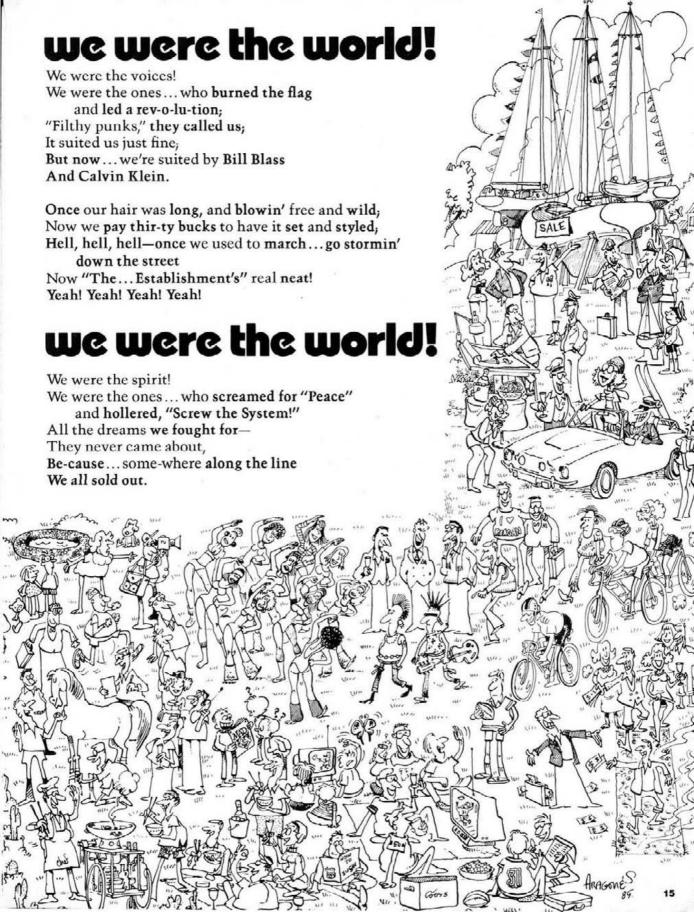
Well, for one thing, they're a lot older! For another, they're now part of that large group of Americans called "Yuppies" (Young Urban Professionals)! What's it like when flower children and protesters turn into high-tech, tie-wearing, church-going, money-making achievers? Let's hear from the Yuppies themselves as Mad presents...

woodstock revisited

ARTIST: SERGIO ARAGONES

WRITER: FRANK JACOBS





FEAR



Oh, no? So how come you're trembling and gripping your seat so tightly that your knuckles are turning white? It has nothing to do with fear of flying!





BERG'S-EYE VIEW DEPT.

THELIGHTE

HEALTH

Despite the fact that you've abused your body with drugs, alcohol, and tobacco, you're in pretty good shape for a man of sixty-five...





DATING

That dating service wasn't kidding when they said we're "perfectly matched and had so much in common!"



EDUCATION







R SIDE OF...

ARTIST & WRITER: DAVE BERG



Tonight I'll make us a candlelight dinner, then we'll watch some great







SHOPPING















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PARENTING





It's driving me crazy!





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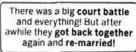






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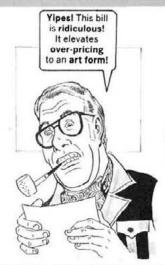


The divorce didn't work out!



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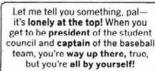


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fooling?



EXTREMES





Sure, I get invited to all the good parties, and sure, I get chased by cheerleaders and campus queens! But after a while it becomes more pressure than pleasure, believe me!



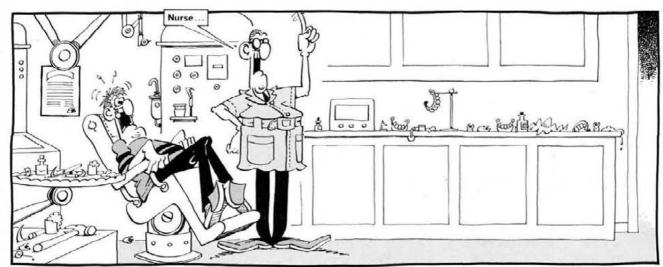
I never get invited to parties, and I certainly don't get chased by cheerleaders or any girls...



DON MARTIN DEPT. PART II

ONE DARK AFTERNOON IN EDMONTON







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ARTIST: BOR CLARKE

CONNORS UPSETS McENROE

Jimmy Leads In Product Endorsements

NEW YORK, A jubilant Jimmy Connors had reason to celebrate yesterday as he surpassed John McEnroe to again become the number one ranked player on the Professional Tennis Product Endorsement Circuit.

Connors, long time commercial spokesman for cameras, designer jeans, shaving cream and liquid bleach, was the undisputed champion until McEnroe gained notoriety and was asked to appear in ads for disposable razors, credit cards and sandwich bags. Fighting back from the unexpected losses of his breakfast cereal and antacid tablet accounts, the determined Connors struck three times yesterday, landing product endorsements for athlete's foot powder, life

insurance and decaffeinated cola. The cola endorsement was particularly disturbing to McEnroe, who for years held a virtual lock in the soft drink category.

An incensed McEnroe says he will contest the ruling which scores his separate endorsements of Dorman's Swiss, Kraft Cheddar and Mafioso Romano as a single endorsement under the heading of "Cheese." Speaking with reporters, McEnroe said, "It's rulings like this that make a mockery of professional tennis."

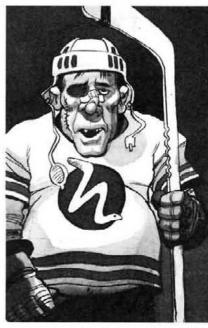


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Hockey Player Sets Record

PUCK HITS FACE FOR 1,000TH TIME



HALIFAX, CANADA Halifax Eels defenseman, Gordy Thwack, made history last night when his nose got in the way of a blistering slapshot off the stick of New Brunswick's Wayne Bugchuck, making Gordy the first player ever to be hit in the face by a puck 1,000 times. Gordy, whose nose was broken for the 218th time (26th time this year), has also been hit 186 times in the jaw, 307 times in the mouth, and 289 times in the eyes (169 left, 120 right).

A short ceremony followed the injury, during which Gordy was awarded the puck. "This is the happiest day of my life," said a toothless Gordy, who was immediately rushed to Halifax Hospital for the 95th time this season. He received eight stitches, moving him into third place on Hockey's All-Time Stitch List.

PORTS PAGE

WRITERS: CHARLIE KADAU & JOE RAIOLA

NBA TEAMS REALIGNED

Hoopsters Don't Know Who To Play



SEATTLE, Players in the National Basketball Association are now considered the most bewildered athletes in the nation due to the realignment of teams as announced yesterday by Basketball Commissioner Nelson Chinski.

"We're all confused," said Los Angeles Center Kareem Abdul Giraffe, whose team showed up last night at the Kingdome to play Seattle, only to find a rodeo in progress. The Seattle team thought they were scheduled to play against Dallas in Chicago, as did nine other teams.

Commissioner Chinski's realignment, which many believe is the cause of the recent trouble, is as follows:

- Milwaukee and Chicago were moved from the Western Conference's Midwestern Division to the Eastern Conference's Central Division.
- Houston and San Antonio were moved from the Eastern Conference's Southern

Division to the Northeast Conference's West Central Division.

- The entire East Central Division was moved from the Southwest's Northern Conference to the North South's Eastwestern Conference.
- Atlanta is now the only team in the Southern Conference's South Southern Division, and as a result, isn't scheduled to play anyone.

Commissioner Chinski told reporters, "Basketball is much more exciting now. Fans can never be sure if the teams will show up or where they'll be playing if they do. It's the best thing for the game."

YOU BE THE UMP

by Otto Skunk

In April of 1983, the Royals were playing the Angels in Anaheim, California. In the third inning, Kansas City third baseman, George Brett, hit a towering foul pop-up off pitcher Tommy John. First baseman Rod Carew attempted to make the catch while standing in foul territory. The ball hit his glove and landed in fair territory. Is the ball fair or

foul? If you were the umpire, how would you call it?

Answer

better benefits!

Jyou were an umpire in April of 1983, you would have been on strike and the outside of the stadium! You wouldn't have seen the walking a picket line outside of the you would be mak-ing would he salaries and better benefits!

NEW FOOTBALL LEAGUE FORMED WILL PLAY ALL GAMES DURING HALFTIMES

LOS ANGELES, At a press conference this morning, sports promoter Kelly Lemon announced the formation of the Halftime Football League (HTFL). Lemon said HTFL games will be played during the fifteen minute halftimes at all NFL and USFL games.

After appointing himself Commissioner, Lemon explained what he called the 'outstanding features' of the new league. "From opening kickoff to the final gun we'll have four action packed three minute quarters. We'll be able to charge fans for seeing two games instead of one and best of all, no one will have to sit through those incredibly boring halftimes shows anymore."



Each HTFL game will have a three minute halftime, during which the games of the soon-to-be-formed Three Minute Football League (TMFL) will be played.



For every inflight meal that you eat without barfing, you get a bonus of 10,000 miles.



For having to use a restroom in disgusting condition, you collect 15,000 bonus miles.

DICK DePT.

Almost every airline flying today has a "Frequent Traveler Bonus Plan"—a system whereby regular passengers are given points for the miles they fly. Well, the folks here at MAD fly a lot, and often use airplanes to do it. But we don't think passengers should be given bonus points for the miles they fly, we think passengers should be given points for the hassles and aggravations they're forced to put up with! So, while we doubt this will ever get off the ground, here's

A FREQUENT FLYER BONUS PROGRAM WE'D LIKE TO SEE

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS

WRITER: DICK DE BARTOLO



For every 10 minutes your flight is



For every boring announcement the Captain makes when you're trying to sleep, earn 500 bonus miles.



If "Utah Backroads" (or a similar publication) is the only magazine available, earn 5,000 bonus miles.



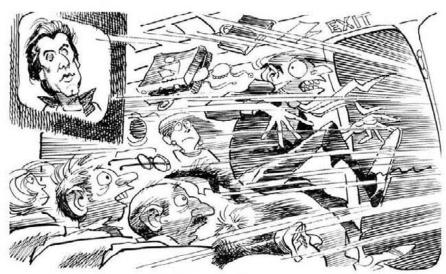
For every boring story told to you by the passenger sitting next to you, you are awarded 1,000 bonus miles.



For every one of your bags damaged, you collect 15,000 bonus miles.



delayed, you collect 1,000 bonus miles.



For the movie being so bad that you walk out on it, earn 50,000 bonus miles.



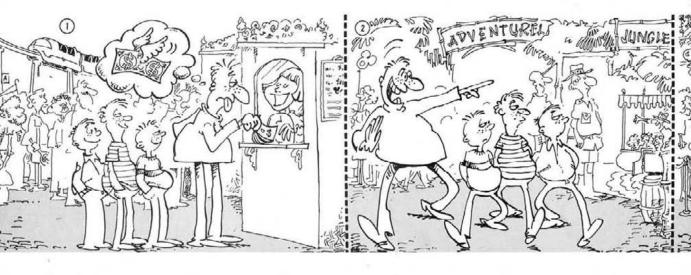
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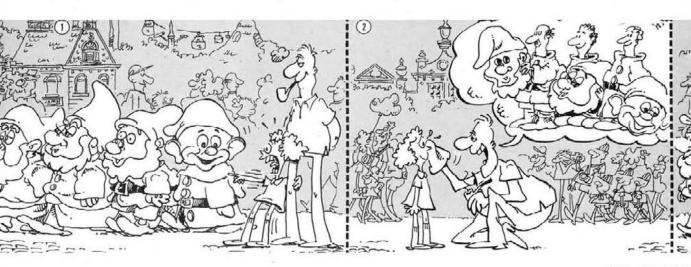


For being assigned a seat next to a crying baby, earn 5,000 miles. (If you are a non-smoker and get assigned a seat next to a crying baby that smokes, earn 25,000.)

SERGIO ARAGONES DEPT

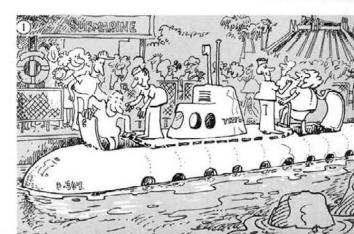
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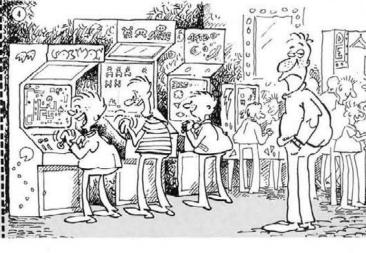




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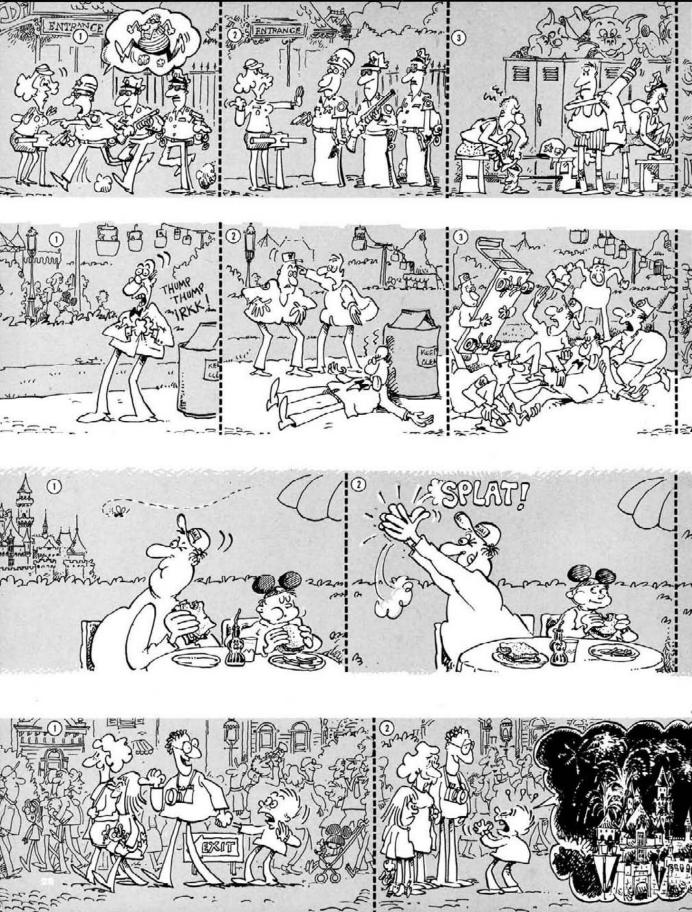


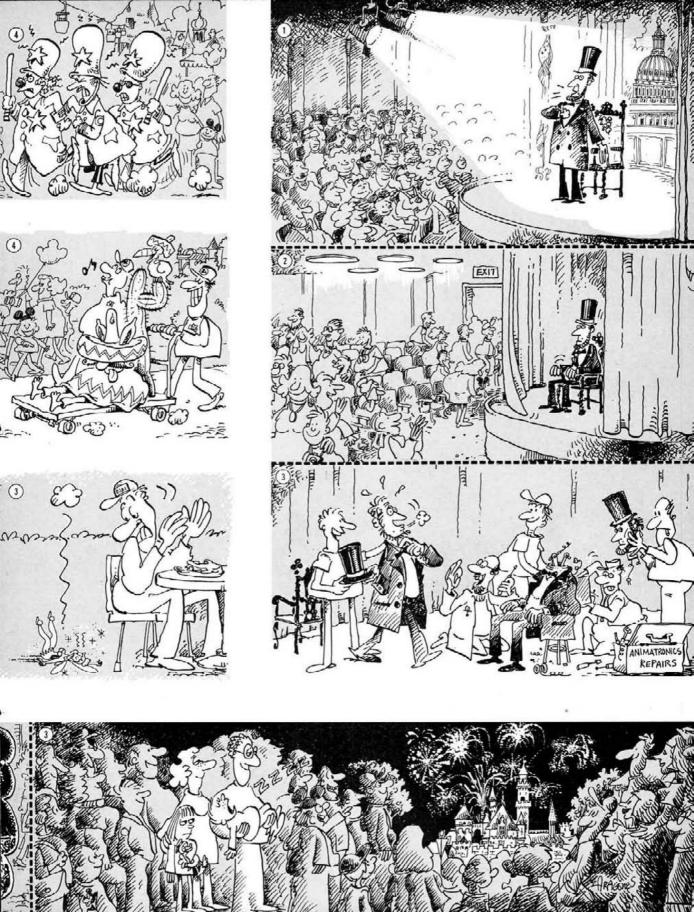




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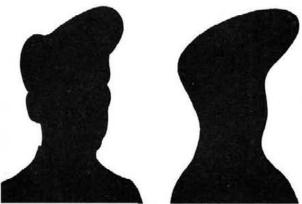




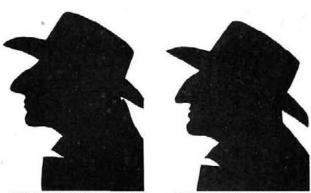
THE SHADOW DOESN'T KNOW DEPT.

Get ready, all you "Celebrity Spotters" out there! Have we got a game for you! So you think you can spot your heroes under any conditions, eh? Well, could you identify them in a dark alley... with a strong light behind them? Let's see how well you do...by playing...

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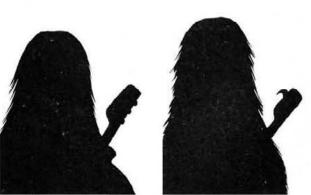
Which is RONALD REAGAN ... and which is GUMBY?



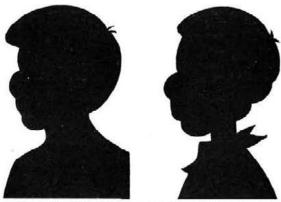
Which is BARBRA STREISAND ... and which is THE SHADOW?



Which is KENNY RODGERS...and which is FOZZIE BEAR?



Which is GENE SIMMONS ... and which is CHEWBACCA?



Which is JIMMY CARTER ... and which is HOWDY DOODY?



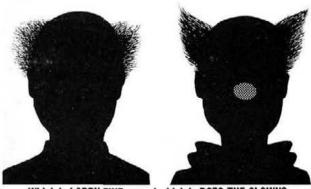


Which is DIANA ROSS ... and which is JABBA THE HUTT?

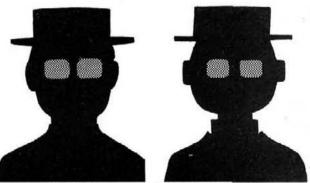
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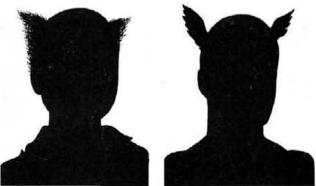
ARTIST: BOB CLARKE



Which is LARRY FINE ... and which is BOZO THE CLOWN?



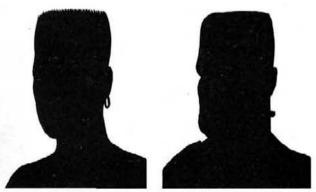
Which is ELTON JOHN ... and which is MR. ZIP CODE?



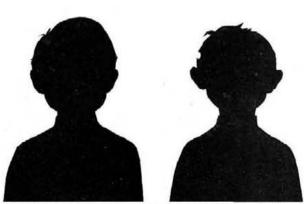
Which is DAVID OGDEN STIERS ... and which is CAPTAIN AMERICA?



Which is TIP O'NEILL... and which is FRED FLINTSTONE?



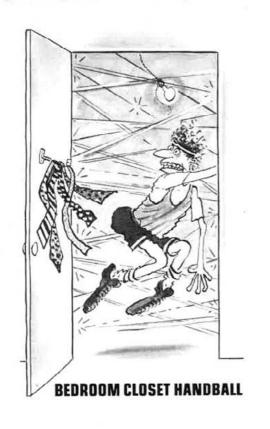
Which is GRACE JONES ... and which is FRANKENSTEIN?



Which is TED KOPPEL...and which is ALFRED E. NEUMAN?





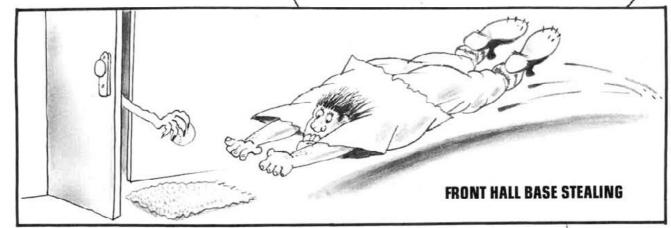


PRACTICING AND AROUND

HOUSE-TRAINING DEPT.



SYNCHRONIZED BATHTUB SWIMMING





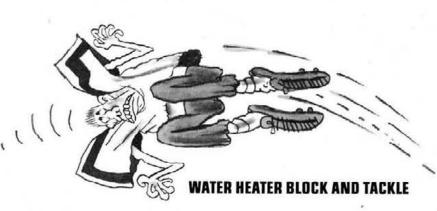
SPORTS IN THE HOME











PRESSURE POINTS DEPT.

Nowadays, it seems like almost every Doctor or Psychiatrist has compiled a "Stress Chart"... which is designed to measure the level of stress caused by certain events in our lives, like being imprisoned, or getting a divorce,



Finding a cockroach on your toothbrush.

20 units



gets 50° hotter...or colder.

30 units



Wondering just how much rat hairs and droppings in your food is "acceptable."

15 units



Trying to carry on a casual conversation with a Priest.



Bringing home a note from your teacher...in a sealed envelope. 40 units



Noticing that the escalator handrail is going a little faster than you're going on the steps.

15 units

or going to a hospital. This is a good idea...except that the events measured are usually big, major stuff! And MAD knows that it's really the little, everyday things that drive people crazy! Which is why it's time for...

RESS CHART



Eating food that looks back at you.

20 units



The D.J. who starts talking in the middle of your favorite record.

25 units



Fat people blocking you on stairways.

30 units



Those irritating little hairs that are inside your shirt after your haircut.

l unit per hair



Trying to swallow an aspirin at a public water fountain.

20 units



When your doctor takes the family aside.

40 units



Getting clothes you have to grow into.

25 units



Your "TV Guide" arrives three or four days late. 15 units



When you start to sneeze, and you don't.

15 units

SCORING

0-249

You're calmer than a cucumber, and as together as two peas in a pod. In other words, you're a vegetable! It would take something like THE DAY AFTER to faze you...maybe! Life doesn't bother you at all, and you don't let little things get to you...and with an attitude like that, you're probably sicker than anybody else taking this test.

149 - 299

You're the type who tends to get upset easily over certain things...things like gravity, the change of seasons, Tuesday, etc. We suggest that you do not seek employment near small children! Or even adults, for that matter!

OVER 300

You're under no more stress than the next guy (providing that the next guy is Charles Manson)! Frankly, you need a lot more help than you're gonna find here for a buck and change! In the meantime, why don't you stop by MAD's office next time you're in town! Wo're always on the lookout for fresh talent!



Getting splattered by a speeding bus.

30 units

While wearing a brand new suit.

40 units

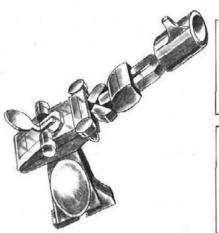
on the Band-Aid breaks.

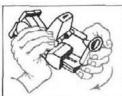
10 units

When the little red string

CHANGE REACTION DEPT.

GOBOTS and TRANSFORMERS are the hottest toys of the year! As the name implies, these toys transform from one thing into another. For instance, a few deft twists of its moveable parts, and a



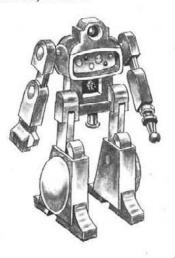




GUN BECOMES A ROBOT



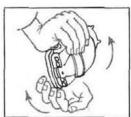


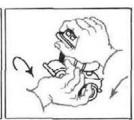


Great! Except they only deal in the fantasy world! What kids need today are toys that deal in the real world! Toys like MAD's...

TRULY LOGICAL TRAUSFORMERS



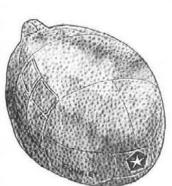




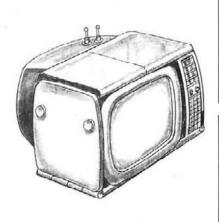
WHEELS TRANSFORM INTO A LEMON



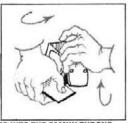






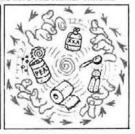




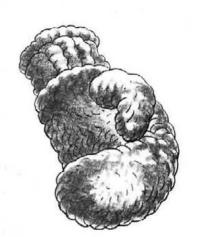


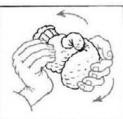
THE BOOB TUBE TRANSFORMS INTO THE FAMILY THRONE

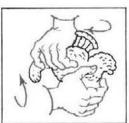


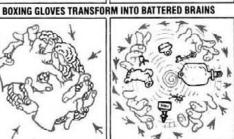


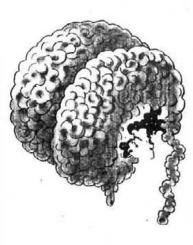






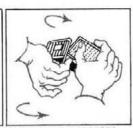




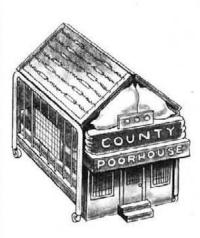








"FLAT ON YOUR BACK" TRANSFORMS INTO FLAT BROKE

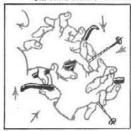








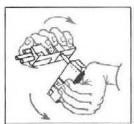
SKI TIME TRANSFORMS INTO BUSTED KNEE TIME

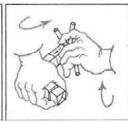








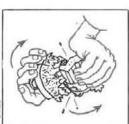














TRASH TRANSFORMS INTO GARBAGE

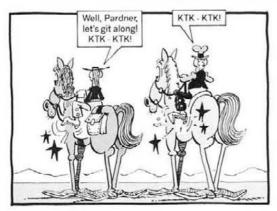


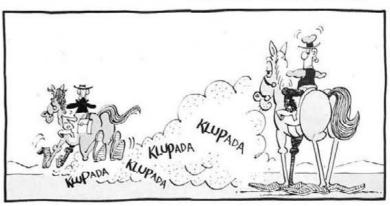




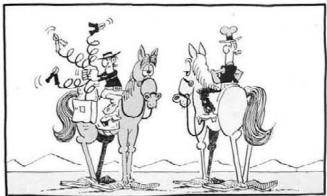
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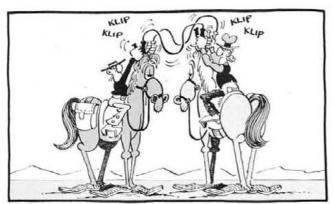
ONE GLORIOUS EVENING IN DEATH VALLEY



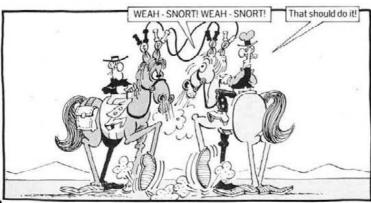


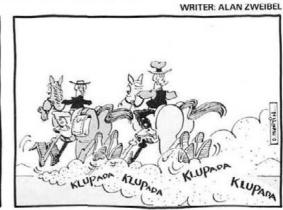














DIVORCE CAUGHT DEPT.

So begins a typical episode of a successful new television series about a "household of the "80s". In this house there are no fathers, just two divorced mothers and their three kids. These two single moms are competent, caring and very well adjusted to their "modern" living arrangement. Yes, they have a relationship that's very "today" and very "progressive" except that in a couple of key ways they're very traditional, which is why we call this show:

MATE ALI-MONY ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER WRITER: DENNIS SINEE

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WHAT IS FAST
BECOMING
AMERICA'S
MOST EXPENSIVE
LEISURE TIME
ACTIVITY?

MAD FOLD-IN

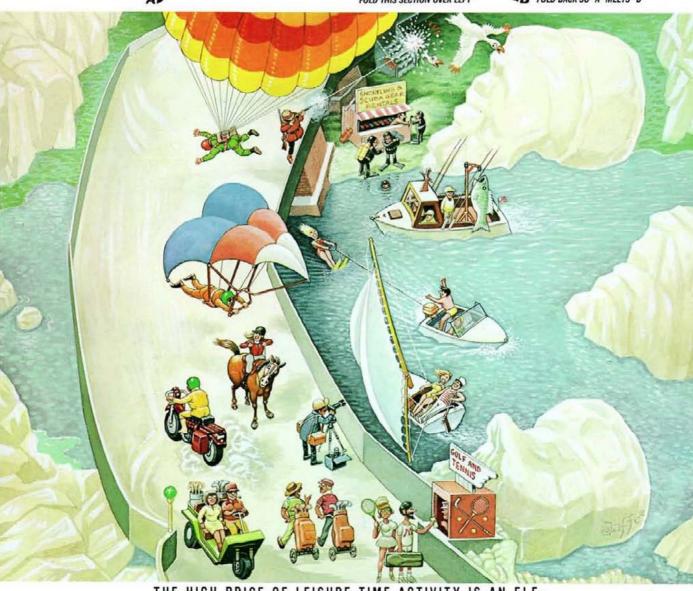
Americans spend billions on leisure time activities. To find out which particular activity is the most expensive, fold page in as shown.



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ARTIST AND WRITER: ALJAFFEE THE HIGH PRICE OF LEISURE TIME ACTIVITY IS AN ELE-MENT TO CONSIDER. EQUIPMENT COSTS, LIKE FOR PHOTOGRAPHY, JOGGING, TENNIS, ETC., CAN BE FRIGHTENING

